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December 4, 2017

Lake Bottom, LLC
c/o Ron Ratto
P.O. Box 256
Salida, CA 95368

RE: TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT 01 TO COMPLIANCE ORDER NO. DER-16CO-011

Dear Mr. Ratto:

On November 29, 2017, the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) received a Feasibility Study, updated Corrective Action Plan (CAP), and a request for extension as required under Compliance Order No. DER-16CO-011. A review of the Feasibility Study and updated CAP was completed. DER has accepted the updated proposal to install a new well and the anticipated time frame for each step.

A Compliance Order Amendment is being transmitted to the Ratto Bros., Inc. Water System under cover of this letter. Please respond to each item of the Directives by the deadlines established in the amendment and compliance order. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Rachel Riess at (209) 525-6720.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel Riess". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

Rachel Riess, REHS
Registered Environmental Health Specialist

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STANISLAUS COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

TO: Ratto Bros., Inc.
6312 Beckwith Road
Modesto, CA 95351

Attn: Ron Ratto, Managing Member
Lake Bottom, LLC

AMENDMENT 01 TO COMPLIANCE ORDER NO. DER- 16CO-011
FOR
WATER SYSTEM NO. 5000499
Issued on December 4, 2017

The Department of Environmental Resources (hereinafter "Department"), acting by and through its Division of Environmental Health (hereinafter "Division") and the Manager for the Division (hereinafter "Manager"), hereby issues this Amendment 01 to Compliance Order DER-16CO-011.

The Department issued Compliance Order No. DER-16CO-011, to Ratto Bros., Inc. on or about December 12, 2016, herein the "Order". The Department hereby further amends the Order as follows:

DIRECTIVES

- A) Delete Directive 2 and replace with the following:

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"Commencing on the date of service of this Order, provide monthly public notification, in accordance with **Enclosure No. 1**, of the Ratto's failure to meet the nitrate MCL during any calendar quarter that exceeds the MCL".

B) Delete Directive 3 and replace with the following:

"Commencing on the date of service of this Order, submit proof of each public notification conducted in compliance with **Directive No. 2**, herein above, within 10 days following each such notification, using the form provided as **Enclosure No. 2**.

C) Delete Directive 5 and replace with the following:

"Perform each and every element of the Division's approved updated Corrective Action Plan according to its time schedule and come into compliance with the nitrate MCL, but no later than December 3, 2018.

Except as amended herein, all other terms of Compliance Order No. DER-16CO-011 shall remain in full force and effect.



12/4/17
Date

Rachel Riess, REHS
Senior Environmental Health Specialist
Division of Environmental Health
Department of Environmental Resources
Stanislaus County

Certified Mail No. 7003 1680 0001 3746 1395



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

DRINKING WATER WARNING

[System] water has high levels of nitrate

DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO
INFANTS UNDER 6 MONTHS OLD OR PREGNANT WOMEN
OR USE IT TO MAKE INFANT FORMULA

Water sample results received [date] showed nitrate levels of [level and units]. This is above the nitrate standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), of 10 milligrams per liter. Nitrate in drinking water is a serious health concern for infants less than six months old.

What should I do?

- **DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO INFANTS.** *Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL may quickly become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die because high nitrate levels can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Symptoms in infants can develop rapidly, with health deteriorating over a period of days. If symptoms occur, seek medical attention immediately.*
- **PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD NOT CONSUME THE WATER.** *High nitrate levels may also affect the oxygen-carrying ability of the blood of pregnant women.*
- Water, juice, and formula for children under six months of age should not be prepared with tap water. Bottled water or other water low in nitrates should be used for infants until further notice.
- **DO NOT BOIL THE WATER.** Boiling, freezing, filtering, or letting water stand does not reduce the nitrate level. Excessive boiling can make the nitrates more concentrated, because nitrates remain behind when the water evaporates.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

Nitrate in drinking water can come from natural, industrial, or agricultural sources (including septic systems, storm water run-off, and fertilizers). Levels of nitrate in drinking water can vary throughout the year. We will let you know if the amount of nitrate is again below the limit.

[Describe corrective action, seasonal fluctuations, and when system expects to return to compliance.]

For more information, please contact [name of contact] at [phone number] or [mailing address].

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by [system].

State Water System ID#: _____. Date distributed: _____.

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE SOBRE SU AGUA POTABLE

Este aviso contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

ADVERTENCIA SOBRE EL AGUA POTABLE

El agua de [System] tiene altos niveles de nitratos
NO DE ÉSTA AGUA A BEBÉS MENORES DE 6 MESES O A MUJERES EMBARAZADAS. TAMPOCO USE ÉSTA AGUA PARA PREPARAR FORMULA INFANTIL

Los resultados de las pruebas del agua recibidas el [date] mostraron niveles de nitrato de [level and units]. Estos niveles exceden el estándar o nivel máximo de contaminante (MCL) de 10 miligramos por litro. Los nitratos en el agua potable son una preocupación seria en bebés menores de seis meses.

¿Qué debe hacer?

- **NO DE ÉSTA AGUA A BEBÉS MENORES DE 6 MESES.** *Los bebés menores de 6 meses que toman agua con nitrato en exceso del nivel máximo de contaminante (MCL), se pueden enfermar seriamente y rápidamente. Y si los bebés no reciben atención médica, pueden morir debido a que los altos niveles de nitratos pueden interferir con la capacidad de la sangre de los bebés para transportar oxígeno. Los síntomas incluyen falta de aire y coloración azulada de la piel. Los síntomas en los bebés se pueden desarrollar rápidamente y la salud se deteriora en cuestión de días. Si hay síntomas de intoxicación por altos niveles de nitratos, busque atención médica de inmediato.*
- **LAS MUJERES EMBARAZADAS NO DEBEN CONSUMIR AGUA CON ALTOS NIVELES DE NITRATOS.** *Los altos niveles de nitrato también pueden afectar la capacidad de la sangre de mujeres embarazadas para transportar oxígeno.*
- No use agua de la llave para preparar jugo, agua, y formula para bebés menores de 6 meses. Use agua embotellada u otra agua baja en nitratos para los bebés menores de 6 meses hasta nuevo aviso.
- **NO HIERVA EL AGUA.** Hervir, congelar, filtrar, o dejar reposar el agua, no reduce el nivel de nitratos. Hervir el agua en exceso puede causar que los nitratos se concentren más, porque los nitratos se quedan cuando el agua se evapora.
- Si tiene otros problemas de salud por el consumo de ésta agua, usted debería consultar con su doctor.

¿Qué sucedió? ¿Qué se está haciendo al respecto?

El nitrato en el agua potable puede originar de fuentes naturales, industriales, o agrícolas (incluyendo sistemas sépticos, escorrentía de agua de lluvia, y fertilizantes). Los niveles de nitrato en el agua potable pueden variar a través del año. Le informaremos si el nivel de nitratos vuelve a estar debajo del límite.

[Describe corrective action, seasonal fluctuations, and when system expects to return to compliance.]

Para más información, por favor contacte a [name of contact] al [phone number] o [mailing address]

Por favor comparta esta información con todas las demás personas que tomen de esta agua, especialmente aquellos que no hayan recibido éste aviso directamente (por ejemplo, las personas en apartamentos, asilos, escuelas, y negocios). Puede hacerlo poniendo este aviso en un lugar público o distribuyendo copias en persona o por correo.

Requisitos de Notificación Secundaria

Al recibir la notificación de alguien que opere un sistema de agua público, se debe dar la siguiente notificación dentro de 10 días conforme a la Sección 116450(g) del Código de Salud y Seguridad:

- ESCUELAS: Deben notificar a los empleados de la escuela, estudiantes, y a los padres (si los estudiantes son menores).
- DUEÑOS O GERENTES DE PROPIEDAD PARA ALQUILER RESIDENCIAL (incluyendo asilos e instituciones de cuidado): Deben notificar a sus inquilinos.
- DUEÑOS DE PROPIEDAD DE NEGOCIOS, GERENTES, U OPERADORES: Deben notificar a los empleados de los negocios situados en la propiedad.

Este aviso es enviado por [system].

Núm. de Identificación del Sistema Estatal de Agua: _____.

Fecha de distribución: _____.



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358-9494
Phone: 209.525.6700 Fax: 209.525.6774

Drinking Water Notification to Consumers
PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

Name of System: _____

Please explain what caused the problem if determined and what steps have been taken to correct it.

Consumers Notified _____ Yes _____ No (if no explain)

Date of Notification: _____

On the date of notification set forth above, I served the above referenced document(s) on the consumers by:

_____ Sending a copy through the U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid, addressed to each of the resident(s) at the place where the property is situated, pursuant to the California Civil Code.

_____ Newspaper (if the problem has been corrected).

_____ Personally hand-delivering a copy to each of the consumers.

_____ Posting on a public bulletin board that will be seen by each of the consumers (for small non-community water systems with permission from the Environmental Resources Department)

_____ Other Approved Method: _____

I hereby declare the foregoing to be true and correct.

Dated: _____

Signature of Person Serving Notice

Notice: Complete this Proof of Notification and return it, along with a copy of the water user notification, to the Department of Environmental Resources, 3800 Cornucopia Way Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358, within 7 Days after notifying water users.